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March 1, 2011 Grain Stocks

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All wheat stocks in Montana on March 1, 2011 were 106.3 million bushels, up 15 percent from March 1, 2010, according to the USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service, Montana Field Office. All wheat stocks stored on farms amounted to 81.0 million bushels, up 19 percent from a year ago. All wheat stored off farms amounted to 25.3 million bushels, up 3 percent from a year ago. All wheat disappearance for the December 2010-February 2011 quarter was up 15 percent from the same quarter last year to 64.9 million bushels, compared with 56.3 million bushels a year ago. All durum wheat stocks in Montana were up slightly from a year ago to 10.7 million bushels. There were 9.0 million bushels of durum wheat stored on the farm and 1.7 million bushels stored off-farm.

Montana barley stocks in all positions on March 1, 2011 were 29.8 million bushels, up 7 percent from a year ago. Barley stored on farms was 17.0 million bushels, up 21 percent from last year. Off-farm barley storage was down 8 percent from a year ago to 12.8 million bushels. All barley disappearance during the December 2010-February 2011 quarter was up 28 percent from the same quarter a year ago to 11.5 million bushels, compared with 9.0 million bushels a year ago.

All oat stocks in Montana were estimated at 1,266,000 bushels, up 34 percent from last year. On-farm oat stocks were 1,200,000 bushels, up 33 percent from a year ago. Oats stored off-farm were up 40 percent from last year to 66,000 bushels.

All wheat stored in the United States on March 1, 2011 totaled 1.42 billion bushels, up 5 percent from a year ago. On-farm stocks are estimated at 288 million bushels, down 17 percent from last March. Off-farm stocks, at 1.14 billion bushels, are up 13 percent from a year ago. The December 2010 - February 2011 indicated disappearance is 508 million bushels, up 20 percent from the same period a year earlier.

U.S. durum wheat stocks in all positions on March 1, 2011 totaled 56.5 million bushels, up 2 percent from a year ago. On-farm stocks, at 35.7 million bushels, are up 4 percent from March 1, 2010. Off-farm stocks totaled 20.8 million bushels, down 2 percent from a year ago. The December 2010 - February 2011 indicated disappearance of 11.8 million bushels is down 42 percent from the same period a year earlier.

All barley stocks in the United States on March 1, 2011 totaled 138 million bushels, down 12 percent from March 1, 2010. On-farm stocks are estimated at 57.7 million bushels, 14 percent below a year ago. Off-farm stocks, at 80.3 million bushels, are 11 percent below March 2010. The December 2010 - February 2011 indicated disappearance totaled 42.4 million bushels, 14 percent below the same period a year earlier.

Oats stored in the United States on March 1, 2011 totaled 86.3 million bushels, 12 percent below the stocks on March 1, 2010. Of the total stocks on hand, 27.0 million bushels are stored on farms, down 13 percent from a year ago. Off-farm stocks totaled 59.4 million bushels, down 11 percent from the previous year. Indicated disappearance during December 2010 - February 2011 totaled 14.7 million bushels, up 16 percent from the same period a year ago.

U.S. corn stocks in all positions on March 1, 2011 totaled 6.52 billion bushels, down 15 percent from March 1, 2010. Of the total stocks, 3.38 billion bushels are stored on farms, down 26 percent from a year earlier. Off-farm stocks, at 3.14 billion bushels, are down slightly from a year ago. The December 2010 - February 2011 indicated disappearance is 3.53 billion bushels, compared with 3.21 billion bushels during the same period last year.

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GRAIN and POSITION	MONTANA				UNITED STATES			
	Mar 1, 2010 Dec 1, 2010 Mar 1, 2011			'11/'10	Mar 1, 2010 Dec 1, 2010 Mar 1, 2011			
	Thousand Bushels			Percent	Thousand Bushels			
ALL WHEAT								
On Farms	68,000	142,000	81,000	119%	348,250	550,000	288,010	
Off Farms 1/	24,433	29,172	25,270	103%	1,008,107	1,382,946	1,136,548	
TOTAL	92,433	171,172	106,270	115%	1,356,357	1,932,946	1,424,558	
DURUM WHEAT		_						
On Farms	9,000	12,000	9,000	100%	34,300	46,600	35,700	
Off Farms 1/	1,654	1,965	1,693	102%	21,216	21,742	20,795	
TOTAL	10,654	13,965	10,693	100%	55,516	68,342	56,495	
BARLEY		-	_					
On Farms	14,000	28,000	17,000	121%	67,370	91,660	57,700	
Off Farms 1/	13,895	13,261	12,768	92%	89,985	88,720	80,272	
TOTAL	27,895	41,261	29,768	107%	157,355	180,380	137,972	
OATS		-	_					
On Farms	900	1,300	1,200	133%	30,900	34,100	26,950	
Off Farms 1/	47	92	66	140%	67,091	66,911	59,395	
TOTAL	947	1,392	1,266	134%	97,991	101,011	86,345	
CORN								
On Farms					4,548,000	6,302,000	3,384,000	
Off Farms 1/					3,145,787	3,754,769	3,138,804	
TOTAL					7,693,787	10,056,769	6,522,804	
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